

AGENDA

CHILD WELFARE LEGISLATIVE OVERSIGHT PANEL

UTAH LEGISLATURE

Monday, July 18, 2005 • 1:00 p.m. • Room W020 House Building

(All background materials are available at:

<http://www.le.state.ut.us/asp/interim/Commit.asp?Year=2005&Com=SPECWL>)

Approximate
Time Frame

1:00 1. Committee Business

- Call to order
- Approval of the minutes of the November 9, 2004 meeting

1:05 2. Update on Federal Court Oversight

The Panel will be briefed on recent developments in the federal court's oversight of Utah's child welfare system.

- Background Materials
 - Stipulation to amend the Performance Milestone Plan, 06/26/05
 - Defendants' December 2004 Status Report
 - Plaintiff's December 2004 Status Report
- Report
 - Mr. Alain C. Balmanno, Assistant Utah Attorney General, Office of the Attorney General

1:30 3. DCFS Director's Annual Report

Utah Code Ann. Section 62A-4a-117 requires the director of the Division of Child and Family Services to submit to the Panel a written report before January 1 each year "describing the difference between actual performance and performance goals for the prior fiscal year." The Panel will receive the director's report.

- Background Materials
 - "DCFS Director's Annual Report—Statutory Requirements"
 - "Utah's Division of Child and Family Services Fiscal Year 2004 Annual Report"
- Report
 - Division of Child and Family Services

2:00 4. Guardian ad Litem Audit

The Legislative Auditor General released a performance audit of the Office of the Guardian Ad Litem in February 2005. By motion, the Legislative Audit Subcommittee sent the audit to the Panel for further consideration. The Panel will review the audit.

- Background Materials
 - "A Performance Audit of the Office of the Guardian Ad Litem"
 - "Excerpts from Minutes of Committee Meetings in Which the Audit of the Office of the Guardian Ad Litem Was Discussed"
- Presentation
 - Mr. Darin Underwood, Auditor Supervisor, Office of the Legislative Auditor General

- Response
 - Ms. Kristin Brewer, Director, Office of the Guardian Ad Litem
 - Mr. Myron March, Deputy State Court Administrator, Administrative Office of the Courts

2:50 5. Interim Study Schedule

The Committee will consider potential study items for the 2005 interim.

- Background Materials
 - "2005 Session Wrap-Up"
 - Letter from the Health and Human Services Interim Committee
 - "Potential Interim Study Topics"
 - "Authority and Duties of the Child Welfare Legislative Oversight Panel"
- Panel Discussion

3:10 6. Other Items

3:15 7. Adjourn